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Bk Cape Horn Pigeon of Dartmouth.

Wm Potter 2d

Sailed May 30 1866 for Atlantic & Indian Oceans.
Retd May 24 1869 Catch 1397 Bls 169 Wh 500 Bone

Capt Chas H Robbins - Came home from Fayal July 29th sick
Mate Otis Snow of Dartmouth - advanced to Captain
2 " Marshall Keith Mattapoisett - Mate. . . - Left ship at Fayal July 29
3 " Francis Joseph Flores
4 " Wm Elisha Covell Falmouth
Boat Steerer Jose de Lemza Fayal
John Vanderhoof Gay Head
Frances Jose Thomas

Cooper & Ship Keeper Antone Silvia Fayal
Steward Stephen George St Helena
Cook John Peterson Bangor
Jesse Nerbys England
A. C. Bryant Boston
Francis Antone Flores
Harry Broadway St Helena
John Peters Gay Head
C. F. Jennings Dartmouth
Jos G. Belain Gay Head
Andrew J. Cole "
Chas H Swift Holmes Hole
Dick Kanaka New Zealand
Thos Aiken Ireland
B. P. Hawes Charlestown
Michael Healey Buffalo
Matthew Lawrence Portugal

M. Keith 2d Mate Kept this Journal
He left a few miles Cat. home
and was very homesick.

A Personal Journal Kept On Board Bark Cape Horn Pigeon Of Dartmouth

Friday June the 29th

This day has been pleasant had a nice breze and steering To the North west we saw a school of Black Fish and Lowered for them But could not strike them my boat steerer darted at them twice but they Were to far off for him this afternoon I have been making face Leads To nail on to the Mizzen mast to lead ropes through this forenoon was My watch below I slept untill eleven Oclock and turned out and Wrote to you a while to night I have set from half past ten untill Half past one on deck but I shall think of my darling wife while On that duty I must turn in now and go to sleep so Good night Sarah

Saturday June the 30th

This day has been nice and pleasant as much so as could Be expected away from you and home, nice breze all day and the ship steering To the north west I have had the after noon watch below and slept untill Three Oclock then turned out and wrote to you Sarah untill four this forenoon I was at work in the after hole Rummaging up cask to keep the Water from getting to them, I have got the first boat crew watch out to night From and set untill half past ten, something is or was the matter with Me to night when I was eating supper, take any thing into my mouth But could not swallow it, my mouth is all cankered so my mouth shins Me most to death, I must go on deck now darling wife so Good Night Sarah

Sunday July the 1st

This day has been pretty windy but our little ship has not Got much sail out. We have not had any mast heads to day, at about Nine Oclock this forenoon all hands were called aft For prayers the Captain read the 12 Chapter of Luke, then prayed then the boys Sung a hymn, and dismissed the meeting, not much like the meeting You attended, there has been four ships in sight to day three of them Bound to England one of them signalized us and told us his name Was the Bentley, he then asked us what our Longitude was but we had No signals so could not answer him, the fourth ship was the Hamilton Of New Bedford, I have been writing to my father to day and tomorrow I shall write to you again I have had all day on deck to day but have done Nothing and am sick most to death, I must go to bed and see if I can get Some I must turn out again at half past one this morning so here I Go in to bed homesick as a dog so Good night darling Sarah I will dream of

Monday July the 2nd

This day has been pleasant and we have had a strong Breeze all day there has been seven ships in sight to day six of them merchant Men bound to England I wish one would come along bound to America So I could send some letters to you I have a number ready to go any time I send after I send them I will soon have more to send one half of my Time below is spent in writing to you my darling girl, I have not done Much work to day, I mailed some supper on the stern to take the Shape of the spanker Gang, I have got from half past ten to half Past one to night I will go and turn out to a close and write one Something I can send to you My Love Companion Good Night Dear

Journal With Bark Sarah

A Journal Of Myself Kept On Board Bark Cape Horn Pigeon

Tuesday July the 3d

This has been a pleasant day as ever was we have had a nice breze to the ship steering to the Northeast there has nothing been in sight but a few Porpoises. this fore noon I shaved and shaved my head Block. and washed my clothes amongst them was a white handkerchief I had in my pocket when I left home it looked not much as it used to After one washid it. I had the after noon watch below I had a nice Dream about you. I have got the first watch out to night from sun set until Half past ten. I must go now Sarah and I must bid you good bight my darling Sarah

Wednesday July the 4th

This day has been nice and pleasant Oh I hope you have Had it the same but spent much more pleasant than what I have spent it to begin with I have had all day on deck. I have been up many little things I have planed down my boat mast it being to heavy. and fitted it thance. this morning for breakfast we had Johny Cake. this noon We had Pea Soup. and the Capt treated us to Cider. for supper we Had sale junk white bread, and stued Pie The capt is sick Again and I think he will have to go home soon. last night our Sick man Harry Broad was said thought to be dieing but is living now But can not remain with us long. to night my watch comes from Half past one until daylight then I get up you will be at home Fast to sleep I will now draw this to a close. by writing what you have Taken for a comfort to day is the wish of Marshall. Darling Sarah Good Night

Thursday July the 5th

This day has been nice and pleasant we have had a Light breze from the north. the captain has been talking again to the Mate about going home. and he seems to think he ought to have the Ship. all is talking now is for me to say that I will go with him So mate and I can not see that. I have not done much of any thing to day. for I have been making a Tar polin to put into my boat to keep me Dry. I have got to turn out to night at half past ten and Stop up until half past one then it is nothing more I can say But I would to God there was therefore I must draw this days Work to a close by say to you my darling Sarah Good Night

Friday July the 6th

This has been a nice pleasant day we have had a light Breze. there is a Ship in sight which we shall speak in a few hours It is the bark Sarah of New Bedford there is now a boat come from Her on board and among them is Sophia Barstows brother. the Post masters son. Harry Foter is on board I see he likewise Sarah Bros brother they are Whaling months out and taken 200 Bbls of oil I gave them Thread pipes Tobacco & soap for which they seemed To be very thankfull for they had heard that I was married and Harry Foter thought it was to his sister Ada I have got the first Watch out to night that is until half past ten our visiters left us at sun down they all wished I was going with them I can not Think of any more to write so my sweet companion Good Night

A Journal Of Myself Kept On Board Of Bark Cape Horn Pigeon

Saturday July the 7th

This day has been very pleasant we have had light airs through the day I have been to work the most of the day in my boat getting Her in order for whaling the bark Sarah is close to so Oh I wish it was another Sarah I could name I would soon be along side of her. To night I have got the last watch out from one Oclk until day light I Dear Will now go to bed my Darling and Dream of you and home Good night Sarah

Sunday July the 8th

This day has been pleasant with me with the exception of the state of my mind this fore noon there was a meeting held on deck but I had below asleep and they did not call me I was below dreaming of you I thought I was at home with you eating cake like a Good one then I thought we were in company with Capt Counsville and his wife Capt Clark and his wife we were having a nice time To night I have got the middle watch out from half past ten to half past one I must go to bed now thou idol of my heart for I feel sleepy and I suppose you are just getting ready to go to evening meeting I hope it will do you some good. Lord Woman My Darling Wife Good night Sarah I bid you good night and went on deck to stand my watch but As soon as I got up the captain told me that I need not stand any watch night but take all day on deck and all night in for I will go to bed so good night dear Sarah Good night to you

Monday July the 9th

This has been a windy day enough for any one I have had all day on deck this fore noon I was at work breaking Out water out of the after no. main hatch it took me until ten Oclock then I went to the mast head and stoped until twelve After dinner I made a Drug for my boat and at two Oclock I went to the mast head and stoped until four one make Her Snow it off duck he has a breaking sore on this hand. I Have now come below for the night it is eight oclock now I Rather early to bid you good night but I must if I were With you I would not think of it Darling Sarah I am Good night Thinking of you now at least when I say my dear companion

Tuesday July the 10th

This morning it came in windy and rainy but at 6 Oclk It stoped raining and we kept the ship off before the wind steering E by S Under short sails I have had all day on deck to day and will have all night in. I have made me a drug and fixed a pump. Just at night The men sung out Porpoises I ran forward to catch one and as I run I kicked my Shoes off as I suppose on deck but one of them Went overboard it was that pair of lace up shoes I bought at home I had a great chance last night but have not got room here to write In I was at home and ready to get you to be on ship with you But you would not Darling I must bid you good night as There is no more room to write Darling Sarah Oh how I wish This Good Night

A Personal Journal Kept On Board Bark Cape Horn Pigeon

Wednesday July the 11th

This has been a nice pleasant day our ship is bound right away from home as fast as she can go steering East. I have had a dog on deck to day and have been as homesick as a dog all day. to night I have got all night in sleep in. I have been fitting the main Top Gallant Brace Blocks on the mizzen took down the double ones and put up single ones. last night I was dreaming of you I woke up some time in the night and kissed your picture and went to sleep again and went to dreaming again of you. this is all I can say to you to night in this book but I am going to write some in your letter. So thousands of sweet kisses to you Darling Sarah Good Night

Thursday July the 12th

This day has been a very pleasant one it has been nearly Calm but with what little air we have had we have been steering to the East ward, which is right away from you and home. I have been all day On deck out of that time I have been to the mast head five hours But saw nothing the rest of the time I was making a strap for the main Top Gallant Leech. I have got all night in to night but as soon as I get through writing in this book to you I shall write in your letter. and Sarah it will be just now as I have said all I can think of so you Must be contint with one sweet kiss Good Night Darling Wife.

Friday July the 13th

This has been a nice pleasant day I have had all day On deck. this fore noon I was putting on chafing gear on to the Top Mast Back Stay. This after noon I had company come on board from The Sarah. It was Harry Tabor This Bark boy. and Sarah Wyld Brother but I had to please them and go on board of the Sarah On account of Mr Snow having a sore hand I opened Tabors Chest and saw his pictures. She had the twins Sarah Sampson And that eldest Hollands girl. When night came I was glad To get on board of my own Ship. So I can and think of any thing Else to write I will draw this to a close by sending you one sweet kiss And saying to you Good Night my Darling Sarah Good Night

Saturday July the 14th

This has been a nice day to me darling and I hope It has been so to you. I have been all day on deck with the exception of Six hours at the mast head while I was there the bark Sarah was In sight. we have been running off to the Eastward all day To day I have made a Block Strap for the Spanker and Struck a Porpoise making two fish we have taken. and I got them myself. To night I have got all night in. I wish it Was with you. I will close by saying one kiss to you darling Companion Good Night

A Journal Of Myself Kept On Board Of Bark Cape Horn Pigeon

Sunday July the 15th

This has been a nice day Sarah I suppose you have been to church all day while I have been penned up on board this little Ship, our meeting was postponed until after noon on account of the Men having lice in their head and the captain had been putting Blue Butter on them. I have been writing all day from breakfast time until the nine o'clock at night, I shall take all night in to right but it is so hot I can not sleep, but I will go and try it by saying as I have to every night God bless you Sarah now and for Ever is the prayer of mine Good Night Sarah.

Monday July the 16th

Has been a nice day this morning we took the Stern sails in it for being so dirty we found for I did not clean my pants that had been there for a month. I have of make me a Boat I shall to day and put up the main top mast & Top Gallant mast Royal stay that is enough for one day is it not Sweetness I have been at the mast head five hours to day which was tiresome With the ship pitching so to night I have got all night in to dream Of you and home. I must close this to a close by saying to you Nothing Be a good girl and God Bless you. Good Night Dear Sarah Good Night

Tuesday July the 17th

This fore noon was quite pleasant over head but we had a Strong breeze this after noon it has been rainy enough, we have seen three ships To day Bound to England one of them passed close to us she had three Women on board and they look homelike last night I had a dream I thought I got home early in the morning and as I was coming up the West Road I saw the Back door of the house open and I could see your mother to work in the parlor I stepped up to her and asked her Where Sarah was she said you had not got up yet, and told me To go in where you were so I went, I put my hand on to you and you Awoke and found a mon to your side you looked mad but when you come to know me you gave me one of those sweet smiles which I love me good and thought in back you gave me, I have got All night in to night. So my Darling Little Wife Good Night

Wednesday July the 18th

This has been a hot sleepy day and pretty calm to, I Have been all day on deck and there has not been a moment but what I have thought of you and my home. I have not done anything at all That I can think of but think and be home sick as a dog. there Has been two ships in sight to day one of them bound to England The other to the United States to night I have got all night in and I feel sick enough to have forty nights in. I must say to you Many sweet Kisses to you Good night my Sarah Dear. Good Night

A Personal Journal Kept On Board The Bark Cape Horn Pigeon

Thursday July the 19th

This has been quite a pleasant day but calm on account of the Northern mind not have got. We have seen a number of Grampuses To day, but no sperm whales it seems as if we were not going to see any. We got the Stitzards out last night and weighed I weighed 167 pounds The same as when I left home. I have made a main sunkline block To day known among the sailors as a Bolus Block. I have had all day On deck there for I have got all night to sleep in I shall write to you to night until nine o'clock. Sarah I must think of closing and go And make up my bed for I have not shook it up for the last two days So lots of Kisses to you my little angel and I will say Good Night To Sarah

Friday, July the 20th

Has been pleasant, but a dead calm. I have been to work On those blocks again to day and got them done. This fore noon the capt Called me into the after cabin and told me he was not able to go the Voyage and asked me if I thought it best for him to go home and leave the ship on. He said if I would go I would make it worth To me. I told him to go home with the ship. I have got all night to night to dream of you. So One Sweet Kiss and Good Night to Sarah

Saturday July the 21st

Has been a nice day and a homesick one for me. I have Been to work hard of the day in the chain hole getting out water, this afternoon I commenced to scrub a Block but they sung out from the mast head For a barrel afloat on the water so I lowered my boat to go and see what Was in it. it proved to be Herocine Oil I brought it on board. we have Seen lots of things to day Fin Backs. Grampuses and Porpoises after supper I struck a Porpoise but the iron tore out and I lost him. I have had All day on deck to day and I have got all night to sleep in. and I wish it was with, I know who. When I get through writing this day Events I must write some in your letter. We are bound into Fayal and Are about 100 miles of from it now we shall be in about next monday And I expect to get a lot of letters. you must be a good girl Darling So many kisses to you my angel wife. I want to kiss Sarah Good Night

Sunday July the 22nd

This day comes in pleasant and a strong breeze from the South west and we have been coaxing all sail trying to get sight of the Islands of Flores. I have been thinking to you all the fine nights while after I was to sleep and dreamed of Lucy Atkins being sick and you Were her nurse. I got up again at four o'clock and Flores was in Sight about forty miles off. I do not know if I shall have all night On or not. I expect they will want me on deck a night to carry sail To get into port. I want to kiss Sarah to night Good Night angel dear

A Personal Journal Kept On Board Bark Cape Horn Pigeon

Monday July the 23d

This has been a pleasant day and a windy one to at day this morning the island of Flores was in sight about 35 miles off and we have been beating up by it all day it is a barren looking place I can tell you not much like my own native home tomorrow morning we will land four men who belong here they are to go on shore 24 Hours when come on board again last night I did have to take Eight hours out sure enough and had the fore noon watch to Day I had a lovely dream about you this after noon I have been To work on the main buntlins blocks and have got them done To night I have got eight hours in and I am glad of it I do not Expect to get on shore here which is to bad for I once lived here After I do burnt in the Ocean Rover I must now say to you as I do every night Many Kisses to you, God bless you Darling Sarah, Fond

Tuesday July the 24 th

This has been a pleasant day and we are laying off Flores With four men on shore who belong here I have been on shore about Two hours to day I sent my letters to Faial by Capt Poole of the Bark Cornelia of Bedford, we put four sick men on shore At Santa Cruis Hart Broadbear he can not live but a short time A boat came off from the shore at midnight and smuggled Tobacco on Shore, We stopped a strange boy to day the ugliest looking boy I ever saw I have got eight hours out to night and I have not slept for twenty four Hours Oh this is not as it was when I was with my little Sarah dear I must go on deck now darling, a sweet kiss to you good Night dear

Wednesday July the 25th

This has been a nice pleasant day and we have Been laying off and on at Flores the twin of Corvo we shipped five More to day but one of them can talk English and they will Tormint me most to death, To day I wrote to Frank and enclosed A short letter for you and went and put it on board the Cornelia to take to Faial, I have got eight hours in to night For which I feel truly thankfull, We have got through trading Now and we are steering off to the Southeast with all sail out And leaving this dreary rock far in our rear, I have sent three Letters to you Sarah from this one port which contains the same As twenty eight pages I must now bid you One sweet kiss and say I want to kiss my angel wife Good Night my dear Sweetness. (Dieu)

Thursday July the 26th

Has been a nice pleasant day, all the fore noon we were out Of sight of the land but standing in shore at twelve o'clock we came in Sight of the island and went through the passage between Corvo and Flores We then passed the Herald Rock who was laying off and on at Flores But did not speak her. I have got eight hours out to night that is to bad If you were here to talk with I should not care I can not write any more For I have not got room, So with saying many sweet kisses to you My darling wife I will say to you Good Night Darling Sarah

A Pigeon
Cape Horn

A Personal Journal Kept On Board Bark Cape Horn Pigeon

Friday July the 27th

This has been a nice pleasant day as far as the weather is Concerned but my feelings have been very unpleasant and I want to tease The ship I had the forenoon below and I had a little sleep about noon I dreampt that I was at home and you wanted to get through a fence And I made an opening for you for you to come. I did not think That any one was but just as you got in the gap I made for you Frank showed himself your clothes was up over your head and he says out Oh what a Prince Em ile has perhaps (minding) at That time you spoke and said it was not the first time, then I thought I began was dead and mine was perhaps pra ell Parcer one of other. but he had not I then said you are a Good girl Sarah. I have not done much to day. I have got eight Hours to sleep in to night. I shall commence another letter to you to night I must close by saying I want to kiss Sarah Good Night Darling Sweet

Saturday July the 28th

Has been a nice pleasant day Sarah but I have been awful Homesick. I had the afternoon to sleep in but could not sleep so I got up And commenced to write a letter to you which it is 4 and we are not Two months out yet that beats you Darling I guess. I have got eight hours Out to night to think of you. We picked up a cask of Naptha on the Water to day. I must close by for Kisses to you Darling Sarah Good Night

Sunday July the 29th

This has been a nice day as far as weather is concerned But it has been very gloomy this afternoon to me on account of the Captain leaving the ship. it seemed to me like leaving home With the exception of leaving my darling the capt took passage by The schooner Mary Rogers of New York. I think there was not a Dry eye when he knelt and prayed just before he left He has talked a great deal to me to day wishing me to go on as I have started and not because he was going to leave the ship To go to sleeping again. I should have all night to sleep to night And every night after this I have made all day most and most Time I have an other book now to write in every night so I can not write quite so much to you after this as I would Be glad to. I must bid you Good Night my darling Sarah I should say that this day I became Chief Mate of Cape Horn Pigeon.

Monday July the 30th

This has been a nice pleasant day I have been All day on deck but done nothing except steer but that. and Fit up my new room. no one rooms with me. I have felt Homesick to day on account of the captain being gone. I have Got all night to sleep in to night but I hope it will not Be so warm as it was last night. I must close for this time Darling but I will not forget you tomorrow night I would Give a farm to kiss you Good Night darling Sarah.

Sunday Oct. the 31st

Wednesday August the 1st

Friday August the 2nd

Friday Dec. the 3rd

Saturday Dec. the 4th

Friend Journal Well-Come Road Of Life Take Heed
Sunday Dec 5th

This has been a quiet pleasant day. Light rain
& mist the Sabbath is standing no crash-heads. Dr
Cornell Came after the morning he has Chaplain read from the
Life Guard. I commenced on Thy Will for Sarah & dear
Caroline that I set a chance I read it. Poor Lucy Hinds
Mother at Sarah a Cousin Of hers which I could not take as them
I am now at Home in Sutton he Cared down and with a map
and had a nice dream about Sarah and Lucy Within Darling
Lucy Could scarcely Of Dreamt that the orphan soul for the
Darling Could come Home And could kiss my Sarah Good night
Sunday Dec 6th

This forenoon was very unpleasant - foggy - rained until
10 Oclock and I did not change my clothes until after dinner
I did not go out in the rain. Washing my clothes, this
afternoon has been pleasant and my own Dear Love Sarah
I wonder I think and such matter Sarah Love Dear Love
Love I think of it, I have got all right & Happier, I have
but come down to work Now I have to Worry the
Question and do Something of your, I always Love Sabbest - when I
Sing or hear Darling girl, a pleasant night to your Dream Dear
Girl your Mother, now at the time you Dream and to
Finding your Love me, I must - so again Good night Sarah Dear
Sunday Dec 7th

We had been a nice day Sarah Darling and the
Sister has been to make on the main the Next - back & yet
and I have been waiting there, there has been a little Boy in
Light - Clay, an American Steamer Passed by and boarded
with Cape and bound to England, I have felt sick all day
but am not ill what the matter I cannot - we are
Well-supplied - I would like to see my Sarah Good night
Sunday Dec 8th

We had been a nice day Darling Sarah and
I am writing on board of the Earth Queen I had a nice
time the officers all had a bit of rum - punch but I
drank but little I thought of my little Sarah girl at
home I could not - I thought too much of her to see Sarah
that I hope not come to Earth of me have Sick so much
I must I can circumvent a few moments in the Day & write
you a little again I dream of my dear Girl God Bless

Good night - On board - In the East - on Open

Thursday August 9th

It has been a nice pleasant day over head and it has been smooth all day though I have felt sick most of the time, but I can not write - I take it as the warning I spoke to Peter, my own dear Sarah keep up the main thread - eggs, and have it ready for me Sarah I cannot write much it might be full sad - Dear wife I could write you by night dear but when I write to see, but I write Oh I wish it all this I must say Farewell my own Companion Good night - God bless you Sarah Good

Friday August the 10th

This has been a pleasant day over head but the wind has been the same thing and we have had an awfull heavy sea on which makes it disagreeable I have been sick all day the most of the time as you read this I think I took a dose of Calomel, I felt the effects of it this morning but it did not check me at all this morn I took an other one; but that did not check me at all this morn I took another - and that gives me hail Columbia I vomited in the afternoon and threw up, but could not, I have felt well all the while and if I am not forced out by opium I hope to have a good nights rest, but I wish it could be that I could have you Sarah in my arms how sweet would be the embrace I must bid you darling companion Good night

Saturday August the 11th

This has been a gloomy day to me Sarah but a nice pleasant one to you today it has been a fine day and this fine morn I felt sick but after I vomited it has not been in hand and I still I but all right again I have not ate right to day but I have felt all day and I shall go to bed you again for that is the only comfort I have while I am from you Sarah it is late and I must close I could not - to bed with out writing something to you I can this time write you One thousand sweet kisses from Darling Sarah's Dear wife

Sunday August the 12th

This has been an other gloomy day while you have [illegible] all day in a state of mind which is unbearable to any one, neither not knowing how because it is [illegible] I have [illegible] Sarah and [illegible] Sarah [illegible] light I felt mad about this I take it [illegible] when I read [illegible] Sarah God bless you Sarah Good [illegible]

Extract from Journal Kept On Board Of Bark Eagle Town Lyon.

Monday August the 13th

This has been a nice day over head but it has been cool hazy if the day time and hard to do it this day I have had on deck all day but neither the sun or myself have done anything but wash our clothes this day I have them to wash that they may not be washing the whole week long when I want them to work on the ship I think I shall sleep some to night for I did not sleep at all last night on account of the ships rolling so and causing the water to strike against me forth I got up several times to find it fine it but all in vain I can not write any more to night dear God Bless you my angel Good Night Sarah

Tuesday Aug the 14th

This day darling Sarah has been nice pleasant also but very disagreeable below on account of the mud flowing so bad and I have been on deck all day and I expect I shall have to mind watch to night as the third mate is sick but while I am up here I be thinking of you a whaleship passed by us this day but could not see who she was. This day I have made up my mind to come home this fall I will not go any farther than the Marquesas Islands on this ship you will see me again in about three months and a half I do not expect you will give me any welcome but Sarah I think it is the best thing I can do for this ship will not go to voyage under the command of this Captain or Officers I must think of closing for the mate is called Sarah I will be with you before long Ten Thousands Kisses to you sweet girl Good Night

Wednesday Aug the 15th

This has been a pleasant day but a windy one. I have been all day on deck and I expect I shall be all night hours out Yes the third mate who he stays with this is the hardest voyage I ever saw Sarah but it is for you I do it I must go on deck now and Mary watch so darling Sarah sweet girl good night to you

Thursday May the 16th

This has been a very unpleasant day rain it has rained all day and I have been obliged to be on deck through part the day but it has come night at last and I have had all night to sleep in thanks be to God this morning at four o'clock I shall be watch at night but I will stay on deck this day in the forenoon Sarah I will close now and go to bed Sarah you know I love you so very much Kisses to you darling Sarah Good night to you the light of my heart Good

Night

A Journal of Events on Board Ship Che Foo Upon

Sunday August the 17th

Has been a very pleasant day but

Quiet as it has been all the week but on the

Whale ground and done much I am accustomed but time flies

Fast enough this hour or two yesterday he Shown it to me

Dick Smith he read it the whole and he said I had

A nice woman the cook stood close by and he wanted

To see it I showed it to him and he went with the

Forecastle and told the men he had just seen his Wife

Wife and she is the handsomest girl he ever saw I told

A man came and told me what he said I shall die

If it feel time for me sigh 7 O'clock and I must close

Good night my dear sweet Sarah kisses to my darling Sarah Good night

Saturday Aug the 18th

This day has been quite pleasant and

What we have had for a week past but had Storm

We that I have been on deck all day and had no sleep

Last night and am full of the wrath I made up my

Mind to day to come home this Fall for I am sick of the

Ocean I must bid you good night darling Sarah to day in

Hope and not forgotten by me and may Heaven Bless you my

Good Night Lovely Sarah Good Night

Sunday Aug the 19th

This has been nice and cool Sarah and I have

Been chasing whale all the afternoon with Waldron and Chase

To windward of me this side of the Ice Ice and I am

Writing to you Sarah I think of the Brewster on board and he wanted me to go

On board of the Brewster and spend the evening with him I said

I must go board and stand watch 8 O'clock and have

Nine time but I go over on all day I must close for this my

Sarah for it is getting late Father wants me to write him

So good bye kisses to you darling wife Good night dear

Monday August the 20th

Has been a calm all day and

Right here in sight about ten miles of Indesia and the

Ice in the Straits where I last heard from you

And I wish I belonged there to day for there is a nice

Lot of men on board of her I have not a letter

To write to but I do not think I shall sight land

On account of the ice but this is not

Every moment will be spent in thinking of you and

If I could I will dream of you Sarah darling I must

Close for writing you must excuse

Journal Kept On Board Cape Horn Pigeon

Sunday August the 20th

This day Lord God has been [illegible] one [illegible] and I have [illegible] but I have [illegible] a bad sail, have not got it done yet. Sail home [illegible] to day I cannot write much straight for [illegible] I must bid you good night Sarah dear [illegible] Aug the 22nd

This day Sarah has been a nice day but just at night it is coming on to blow again. I have [illegible] all day and caught a large Albatross [illegible] I have been [illegible] I am coming home [illegible] hope this finds [illegible] I must say more, send kisses to [illegible] a blessing on [illegible] Good night my [illegible] Sarah

Thursday Aug 23d

Sarah this has been the most disagreeable [illegible] I have seen since I left home it has been a gale all day which sickens me of the sea if I could but find [illegible] of it might I think I would never [illegible] it up again [illegible] Albatross this afternoon I took a map about [illegible] to have a whale half the night to [illegible] I got up [illegible] look and read a little, when I had sail [illegible] last I cannot think of [illegible] thing more to write [illegible] so many kisses to that angel wife of mine at home Good Night [illegible] Aug the 24th

Darling this has been a nice pleasant day but I have felt sick all day with a pain that seems to [illegible] all over me and I feel that this is no place for me I hope to feel better to morrow I have been to work in my boat some and have retained the [illegible] Spencer Howell the third mate last the after noon watch today when he came up he had a letter for me that [illegible] about you he said you had a hard [illegible] Sarah you must excuse me for this time and I will kiss to you I will say Darling Sarah Good Night

Saturday Aug the 25th

This has been a dark day Sarah and I have [illegible] all day but I have felt bad enough to be in [illegible] I shall [illegible] which it is unbearable but [illegible] I am not better I shall come home [illegible] go to sea again would you like me [illegible] Darling I must close for the night to [illegible] Good night more darling wife Good night and a kiss Sarah

A Journal for my Wife On Board the Citizen Gun

Sunday August the 26th

This has been a fine day Sarah and I have not as a home for have one not left all day and this but read. last night I dreamt that I was at home and the first I saw when I got into the house was you laying on your bed and mother by your side, I asked her what was the matter with you she replied you was having a baby I told her I would go but there you fastened your mother was she was talking to the old man about it, I thought me to be for I call me again for you wanted to see me this morning I then I woke and Sarah Ann Lovell came to me and said she dreamt she saw you walking in the street with a baby in your arms but I guess he and myself to are under God of the way, but I hope it is so, Sarah I must close this for as close by saying I love you and that imaginary kiss from you kissed me good night angel Sarah Good by to Monday Aug the 27th

This has been a nice day Sarah not a breath of air stirring I have been on deck all day and felt some better than I did yesterday but far from being well I have set up the Journal writing to day, last night I dreamt I was at home and saw some strange house standing in the door near you came out and passed me, I asked you where you were going you said after water, after you left me Sarah Maurice came down here and asked me if I wanted to see some thing I told her yes, she then drew her dress in front and showed me her bubbies she asked me if they looked pretty I told her yes I asked her to let me kiss them she said yes but do not let Sarah John see you just as I was in the act you came in sight and caught me, and Oh what a blessing you Sarah my Sarah I will tell you more by and by, I must close by saying mam kissed me for you Good Night Darling Wife.

Tuesday Aug the 28th

[illegible] dear Sarah [illegible] I have [illegible] I have been on deck all day and had no [illegible] ache, I have done nothing for four weeks but watch [illegible] work and that is hard music for me, Oh Sarah I long to get [illegible] home sickness or not I never was so [illegible] I get [illegible] with me and what can it all mean, Oh it is [illegible] for [illegible] time at with you once more and then I [illegible] will [illegible] Sarah [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Wednesday Aug 29th

This has been a pleasant day Sarah I have been on the sea all day and nothing but Cape Ann all the time at times not much though the day but I can see some of the land most all the time. I got a letter from Mother and one from Sarah I am Good night

Thursday Aug 30th

This has been a very unpleasant day Sarah it rained most all day and I have been up in the city and now I wished myself at home it will not be long before I am there for I ask leave to come home if I do not get in, and in the form of a smoke there I will stay. I have had a nice time in and I am glad of that but I must close, I must go now this is a dull day Sarah but I am Good night Sarah I am

Friday Aug 31st

I am glad to-day Sarah and I feel well enough to be in my berth but was sick yesterday I have had some Comfort to-day. We spoke the bark Marcella of Bridgeport Capt Chase and Mrs Kenrick came on board with old acquaintance of mine but Sarah I guess I am not as much as they. Capt Chase belongs up the river and he told me he had lost his wife since he left home. But he did not talk so for he work like a pleasant hearted fellow it is not the wife that is taken away from him and if I could find her I would tell her where to find him. I have not the smallest idea when I shall get home but I guess about the middle of next month. I am glad you are well Sarah I am well and hope these few lines may find you enjoying the same blessing. Good night Sarah

Saturday Sept 1st

This has been a nice day Sarah and I have been a nice one but I am on deck all day. I Gained two hours this morning and that is all I have done today and that is enough I think I am glad you are well Sarah my wife I am glad to hear you are so lively as ever I am Good night Sarah

Miss Sarah Dear,

Journal kept On Board Cape Horn Pigeon

Friday Feb the 14th

God was nice pleasant day Sarah I have been
on deck all day have seen birds and other fish I can see
by what I have come to the conclusion that I'll be no
sea sickness and I shall be at home soon I must be on
watch till five o'clock Good Night dear Sarah.

Saturday Feb 15th

This has been a nice pleasant day and I have been
on deck most of the time the wind has been ahead
all day it is a fine night now it is very light out
the moon is shining very bright and the stars can not come but we have had a
pleasant day the second back for Cape Horn came on board
with the pilot Good night dear Sarah shining one pleasant evening

Sunday Feb the 16th

This has been the nicest day Sarah that
we have seen since I left you and I have had a
walk on deck but the ocean is rough I went to bed
with a rough angle sea all night but the sea is smooth
now and I have been dancing with the sailors all the
afternoon on deck and in your name I caught you
in my arms and kissed you and began to dance with
you I wish you that Capt Fitzwilliam was going
to call on you this evening and you startled by the
noise I should run down I caught you by the
red head Sarah you I wish I was at home I will
go to church with you but that is no use I can
tell you that I think of you and love you dearest Sarah
over the ocean God bless you Sarah dear Good night
Monday Feb 17th

This has been quite a pleasant day
we have been on deck all day Sarah I wish
you was that the sea is with me I have not been
sick it is not rough I have at night I make it
rough Sarah and then we have fun and
we have fun and I felt glad enough
that I was with you Sarah dear and the
wind is pleasant I wish you Sarah dear

Letter to Sarah On Board Cape Horn &c.

Sunday Sept 21st

This has been a very windy day and I am sorry to say sick as ever. I have not eat a mouthful to day and I feel very sad, the sea runs so high it makes me sick enough I thought. It was homesickness I will know him what it is when we get into port. I send love Sarah, Love to you I hope you do not live so sad as I do a night. Kiss the boy for me. good night dearest Sarah.

Saturday Sept the 22nd

Has been a nice pleasant day Sarah. I have eat nothing all day and I am as sick as ever, and Sarah I am sick enough and wish I was at home, Tomorrow is Sunday and I will write a letter to you for we shall be near the islands soon, and if I can in the ship I will send it home. Sarah kisses to you. Good Night dearest

Sunday Sept 23d

To day has been a pleasant day Sarah and there has been going on on deck as I have been below writing to you and Syd. and it is a pleasure to me, if I could but be with you a little while to night it would do me good, must close and write to Syd a few lines and I will send them on a head of it. Pleasant dreams Sarah Good night dear,

Monday Sept 24th

This has been a nice day Sarah and I have been to work all day pumping fresh water and I feel tired enough. We sighted the island of Hoorn to day, and he might what I write to you it was forty miles off. I was on deck all night and got into port. Mrs Sarah how soon you do receive this I cannot tell. Kiss you from Sarah. Good night

Tuesday Sept 25th

This has been a pleasant day Sarah and we are having of the island of Staten within four miles of the land. To day at one afternoon I set down to write to you but we have a rope broke and it is hard. I must close this and take what I can for I am tired of writing. I am at home this minute with you. I must close you Good night for this time good Night

A Personal Journal Kept On Board Bark Eliza Ann Fisher

Wednesday Sep. 16th

This has been a fine day Sarah and we have been lying to all the day near the island of Kauai but we have not anchored yet. It is about 9 o'clock this fine starry night and I expect to go ashore tomorrow. Well till we have our mind I expect to get some letters from you. I have been waiting for the Mail a long time but I must bid you adieu Sarah Good night

Thursday Sep 27th

This has been a pleasant day Sarah and this morning when I got up that island was in sight but I received your letter for me; at 6 o'clock the capt went on shore and at 8 he came off and had two letters for me One from you and one from Hawaii. The one from you I read first. Sarah I must tell you pleasant dreams I had last night for it was a night I shall learnt that You are going to have one. Farewell Sarah Good Night

Friday Sep the 28th

Has been a nice day I must inform you that we have got another mate in the ship for the 28th day. I could not stop but a little while for I had to go on board to let the 2nd mate come on shore last night. I wish all night to you Sarah Be good to me for ever yours Good Night

Saturday Sep the 29th

This day has been pleasant Sarah we have not our cousins on board and found out the messages last night I was on board the Jehovah Hosanna I Glorify and I hope all is well The last time I have hoped and the ship all well I must tell you more and kiss Good Night Sarah,

Sunday Sep the 30th

This has been a rainy day Sarah dear but I like it has been a pleasant sabbath with you all time that you was to church for you will not be displeased at that place, Sarah how happy I will a night when I think of it that I am to see a thick that we are going to [illegible] a little one, how pleasant it will be for us to take it out to walk, now I know but so found that [illegible] that your darling could touch me with a fork [illegible] that, which as I can't calculate it will be [illegible] years, Sarah dear mine send kisses and all the good wishes rest on you Good Night you dearest of all things

Good Night

Great And Holy Father

Bless you Protect us Guide

Journal Commd Kept-On Board Bark Cape Horn, Pigeon

Monday Oct-1st

We have been a nice day Sarah and I have been
talking the same work but have not got up. I suppose you would
Enjoy it as well as I do if you were here. Commenced on this letter to you
while a sail in sight we are nearest on the line. I have said
this before that I was coming home from the islands, but when I
came that I was sick & have a new comer. I thought it was dull
[illegible] but as nothing to support it and my little darling,
Such pleasant dreams to you while you hold the little one Good night dear,
Tuesday Oct-the 2nd

This day has been very pleasant but our lessons
have been so ill-worries me most to death about I think of
be sure you are in for fear that something will happen & true I
said that I would not have for the world I have written nothing
of letter to you he might be send by a ship if we take in with one
that is bound home. pleasant dreams to you Good night darling
Wednesday Oct-3d

This has been a nice day darling with us and I
hope it has been such with you at home and I [illegible] as
happy as I did yesterday. I can not write much to night as
I look for I want to talk some in your letter. so a pleasant
night to you darling and our little one Good night darling Wife
Thursday Oct-4th

This has been a nice day Sarah. this forenoon
I was at work setting the fourth boat ready to [illegible]
came to me this afternoon I had some one name it
was a Mrs Warbell wife of the ship Emma. I once
she had married but a short time ago and we had
letter from home stating his wife had got a little girl
Oh give me one and I am all right Good night dear Sarah
Friday Oct-5th

Well darling I [illegible] happy he might
after noon we raised a large whale and
launched our boats and I set fire he is now about
dinner and I think he will be [illegible] I [illegible]
Sarah this will be a surprise to dress for you
I only some thing but the [illegible] Good night I am
Saturday Oct-6th

Well Sarah this has been a nice day
but I have been to work very hard cutting in a whale
and I am most tired to death but I am in better
spirits this morning altho I have not
had any letter I had my pleasant night to the one
I will be sitting at home. God bless you dear Sarah
Good night

Journal Kept On Board Cape Horn Pigeon

Sunday Oct 7th

Have been a nice pleasant day and we have been to church without doubt, and if I was at home I do not know what I could have. I hope you would let Sarah and I go with you for I was called up in time and to bed. God bless you Sarah and Jane. Good night

Monday Oct 8th

This has been a nice day darling and I have been employed all boiling out oil half of the day and this morning we saw whales and I went off and chased them but had to come on board without one, for my men were sick, and not through with oil, Sarah at the present time. But I hope you Readers will excuse me if you can me once more I must die me many kisses dear Sarah. Good Night

Tuesday Oct 9th

This has been a nice day Sarah dear and I have been to work very hard and am most tired to death. but I must be up until 12 o'clock at least. I can come below to rest me shall get through boiling by to-morrow night and then I can have a night to sleep. I must bid you to take good care of the children and many, many kisses Good Night Sarah

Wednesday Oct 10th

This has been a nice day Sarah and I have been up to my eyes in oil all day, but we have got through now as the whales all died and we made us 110 Bls we have yet more than I got in any at since I landed at Coal Jane this time last year

Thursday Oct 11th

This has been a pleasant day darling and I have been up to the top to see the land quite distinct, we are homeward bound, I dare say but if the wind should turn round, and we have to stop out, we have so you can have the money to buy you a nice hat, Good Night Sarah

Friday Oct 12

This has been a windy day Sarah and they shift sail over on her side out for all the time have been handling boat to do with a reefed there and I am very tired but I must write two or three lines to you to night for we are in sight of the islands I put it on shore and I send it by Daddy to write to my darling wife Good night Sarah

Sunday Oct 28th

Good night Sarah.

Journal. Till Our Parting Hour

Wednesday Nov 28th

This has been a pleasant day dearest, I have not been very hard getting out mulch, and I might have got through work, I assure you, but I thought of coming home. Oh what a contrast there is in our feelings just now to what there was that night. This night I am sad and lonely that night I was happy and bullet free because I was at home that night. Oh I would like most anything to see you to night if it was but five minutes. Oh God bless her let her be where she is, may his protect her and at last take her to his home in heaven is the fervent prayer of her ever true and loving husband Sarah it is late and I will close by sending you many sweet kisses Darling Wife good night

Thursday Dec 2

Darling Wife I wish you a happy birthday and many returns of it. It is now a cold raw day with me I hope it is a pleasant day with you, and dearest wife may you have many happy days with your dear husband to share with you. Darling I am very sorry that I cannot be with you on your birthday, but I hope you will have a good time, I wonder how many little hearts would be made glad on that occasion, Oh it would be a happy time to me if I might have my little sweetheart and it was at my command she should have a thousand kisses, it is late and as I must escape in writing you a good night I will. Good night Darling Wife, God bless you and keep you

Tuesday Jan 1st 1867

A Happy new year to you Sarah dear wife may you this new year have been a mark more than I have which you cannot be sure of and I am glad to see that you are not so thoughtless as to forget me altogether as I see you are trying to do. Oh dear I stand in great fear of God for our many sins, the same as me in England Sarah Dearest I must close for now I take my pen to say God bless you Sarah dear Good night

Personal Journal Kept On Board Cape Town Egypt

Saturday January 2nd

[illegible] pleasant day but [illegible]
[illegible] must find [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]

Sunday Jan 6th

It has been a windy day and I have been writing out
[illegible] and at this present moment am engaged
[illegible] I am very well and have, for the time being,
[illegible] I shall not be able to send it home
[illegible] I must close for today hoping you are all
[illegible]

Sunday Jan 7th 1866

Jane has been to work over here today
[illegible] and at this present moment are engaged
[illegible] I am very well and have, for the time being,
[illegible] I shall not be able to send it home
[illegible] I must close for today hoping you are all
[illegible]

Tuesday Jan 8th

This has been a wet day and I have been
[illegible] and I am very well and at this present moment
[illegible] I am very well and have, for the time being,
[illegible] I shall not be able to send it home
[illegible] I must close for today hoping you are all
[illegible]

Wednesday Jan 9th

This has been a rainy day Sarah Sut in, Jane
[illegible] and Mr Hunt and I got a large stack
[illegible] but it is a large number it will take
Sut it to Hawing a cake but I hope it will not clean on Sunday
I it does we shall [illegible] I must [illegible] for today

Wednesday Jan 30th 1866

Last night about 12 o'clock Sarah Sequard was
taken with a child and I thought it was a long
[illegible] but it was, but it ended [illegible]
[illegible] on the island of St Helena where I reside it is
[illegible] I must close this as it is getting late
[illegible] Jane Sends you both dozen Good night,

Sunday Dec 31st

Last night I dreamed I'd come and met them
on the street and I saw a boat coming that I knew
and I got close to it and one of them was Father
for the one he had been out fishing and had come in
I thought I laughed at him, and made him mad, then I asked
him where his dear Sarah was, he asked me what business
it was of mine. I told him I wanted to see you, he said no
that for she is married long ago, I asked him if he did not
know who I was and he said no, I told him I was Marshall
Garland and if I could not see her it was a sad, he
put his arm around me and said no don't cry you can see her
she is waiting for you. I woke about and what a good
time I had, Sarah you look creamy and right handsome to-day

Friday Feb 1st

This has been a pleasant day Sarah for I have been in bed
I had backening on a sickness and a very bad pain in my side
But I do not think it dangerous as we are about to have a child, I think
I have been sick enough over one child, Oh Sarah Garland how I do
trust in you for my suffering has been nothing compared
with yours, but I hope on this pleasant day they are all over,
and I hope God will not take another one while I go to see
you, I will let you know shortly my dearest angel good night
Saturday Feb 2nd

This has been a pleasant day Dearest Sarah
and I have been busy all day cleaning things for me expect
to see you in a month if the Lord spares I have been a
great many times to day, and at the time dearest Sarah
I think of you the most, I have set the 16th of this
month for me to be with you, but you may take back it
for I do not, I must close by wishing you a pleasant
Sarah and a heart Good night to you Darling Sarah

Saturday Mar the 25th 1867

Dearest Sarah this forenoon I saw young
Martin Snow and he told me a number of
Deaths since I left home, he also told me that you had got
a baby, and Oh how it pleased me, and he said you was
very much above mirth, he did not remember what it was a boy or girl
but he thought it was a girl, Sarah you darling I wonder
if you love me still, I shall do so to you and as
long as I live, I will be true to you Sarah Good night
Marshall

Personal Journal Kept On Board Bark Cabo Frio 1867

Tuesday Mar the 30th

Dearest Wife it is just one year since I left you and how long it has seem to me, all with you I suppose it has passed very quick, but during the hassal I suppose you have found it very many a time, but it is quite dark and I have been to the mast head four hours, while you I like have been taking tea and the baby I must close you and write for a while. You have not read a word for the Cooper Parker Sarah or Indiana Rider to Journal the latter Good night Both

Sunday June the 16th

Lord Sarah it has been a nice day and I have been very busy we have caught five Black Fish I down with the first about eight hours, this morning I saw Nathaniel Ware and young Swain I did not see them I speak to them but I saw them on board of this vessel and he asked for my ship, they said Cape [illegible] and went down below with Capt Swain and he told Capt Swain that he was going home as he was very sick I knew nothing about it when he came up to see Capt Swain at what time it was to take to it made me mad to [illegible] that good chance but it can come and I'll see that they have seen me I suppose I must close for this night Dear wish you a pleasant dream kiss the Baby for me and I wish it was Ox so that I could [illegible] Darling Wife Good night to you and the Baby

Monday June 17th

This morning at 4½ Oclock I got up and put on deck and at 5 got three fish all round the ship I went in the cook house and the cook had got up a fire for me to see if I could get one, so I went and it was not long before I got a very large one, fill mine and Tom's kettle with the fish, then we Marine the two legs and commenced to cut at sun down got through and at 7 o'clock I had them fried and covered with oil so Dearest I must bid you and the baby good night. Sarah kiss it for me Lucy

Thursday June 20th

This has been a very dull day Sarah and I have [illegible] but it is all in fun, but the time is dreadful hard that I will be away from you at various times of the day, and the nights as well. To-day at dinner time I was reading that I ought to [illegible] and I did, and I might say it [illegible] I have [illegible] you are the means to [illegible] and I will [illegible] Good night —

Friday June 21st —

This has been a rainy day Sarah and the first day in the year, and it has been about miserable day to me, it has rained so hard that I could do nothing about the shop so I went [illegible] and some [illegible] for your dress, I saw [illegible] on my face that [illegible] nose and now I have it [illegible] awful and it feels very sore, I have felt so lonely [illegible] take [illegible] home and look but it does me no good, we are [illegible] I cannot write anymore I cannot [illegible] me and I will bid good night to the one [illegible] dearly that is my angel Sarah and my Baby.

Saturday June 22nd

Sarah I am lonesome to night, when I was up at Eaton's I had there was a chance to send a few lines to you most every day, time and time again night I would sit down and write to you but all the [illegible] take comfort by doing so for I thought it would please you [illegible] you at home, but [illegible] it no chance I could not write it, and when it comes night I have nothing to do so I feel lonesome, I have not done much to day for it has rained most part of the day, but I will close and go to bed and dream of you and that dear little creature who makes home so dear to me [illegible] for me and I will bid you good night Dear Sarah.

Sunday June 23rd

It is a nice pleasant day Sarah and I am very glad that which is no pleasure to me, but I have a pleasant day to [illegible] morning when I got up there was a [illegible] for me, I [illegible] and handed him on board the weighed [illegible] hundred pounds I have nothing [illegible] more particularly to write to you so I will bid you [illegible] Sarah [illegible] and dear [illegible] my lovely wife good night.

A Personal Journal Kept - On Board Bark Cape Horn Pigeon

Sunday June 24th

This day came in with a fine rain storm and I have been on deck most of the day but a rat, and I hope you have been in your cozy room all day and comfortable, Father & all of our little darlings, this afternoon I attempted - what you did Sunday & Tuesday afternoons, and I went there to see you but - what Hannah said you was not there, you have left your Cot, but would soon be in again, I waited a moment and heard your voice bathing Ma your father as you was coming and it woke me up, Oh dear if I did - be dreaming of you I know I do not know what it means, Sarah I think you are all - I could but you can take and pleasant nights rest - caress the Baby there for me, and I will say Good night - to my own dear wife and her precious offspring.

Monday June 25th

Came in with thick cloudy weather and a nice breeze from South. I was busy carpentering all day and feel quite tired to night - besides my stubb, but - Oh if I could see my wife to night I could not feel as I do now but - that is impossible, but - night - I might be at home and not you in the sheet and kissed you and I found you kissed me, but you done it - in such a way I thought you did not care much about me, for you kissed me quick and turned away from me, I asked you what you had named it - (Baby) and you told me it's name was Hannah Rachel Martin then you said to me I hope you like the name, I sung it - and then you went to bed time and me started a fire in the stove and then I was going into the bed room I woke up and found myself on deck by the Cape Horn Pigeon, a long way from my home, Sarah, kiss Hannah Rachel for me and tell her to be a good child

Wednesday June 26th

It has been most a calm to day Sarah and I have been to the mast - head seven times where the mind could carry me, but it was not for pleasure that I done it - was a task for what we might catch there, that I was something for my wife and child but could not - we saw him, and the wind has blown my eyes out - not quite, but I feel that it was done for a good cause, Sarah I can not say much to night - but will this time I hope we shall be able and shall continue, I send my love to my own dear wife, Sarah kiss what - and tell her to be a good girl - for me, ten thousand kisses to my dear wife

Tuesday June 27th

[illegible] but the time is passing [illegible] and soon I will be on my way home, and God speed the day [illegible] my Darling wife Sarah I must close for this time Do not forget to kiss Hannah Rachel for me. And I will bid you both good night, Yours Truly, Sam

Friday June 28th

Came in with a gale of wind Sarah but [illegible] saw the furniture in my berth most fall down where I was [illegible] had a heavy gale last night I dreamt I was at home in my own house but saw no one I thought I called [illegible] and someone answered and said, come this way I [illegible] while the voice came from and it was a [illegible] and I saw you laying in bed I thought you moved over [illegible] I came in and you layed a Babe on the front side, I thought it was the prettiest thing I ever saw, Oh how I [illegible] that Precious Babe, the ship is rocking very Bad and it is hard work to write Do kiss Hannah Rachel For me and I will kiss you both Good Night Sarah.

Saturday June 29th

Sarah it has been a thick cloudy day in the morning it was rainy but it cleared up about eight Oclock and I [illegible] the most head ache I have for five hours but saw nothing at all, I have had a sick spell to day it was a rush of blood to my head I never had any thing I take my stand some so sick, Sarah I would like to be with you about [illegible] might that I might have a good chat with you, and see the baby, I can not say much I might do for you must kiss Hannah Rachel & tell me and mine God ever bless you Both Good Night Darling Sarah, with thousands kisses Sarah

Sunday June 30th

This is a pleasant a Sabbath as ever you saw Sarah and at 8 Oclock in the morning the second mate reported whales in sight, and we lowered our boats in pursuit at 2 Oclock P.M. we returned to the ship each boat fast [illegible] and as I have been a mark so many times [illegible] I will [illegible] I will ask you a favor to kiss the baby for me [illegible] and I will bid you good night my Love till, Sarah,

Monday July 1st

We are sailing in sight land and [illegible]

Sunday July the 2nd

This has been a windy day Sarah and I have been employed [illegible] but this after noon at 5 Oclock we got through and I went and washed myself and got on some clean clothes and I feel quite like a person to night and I think if I could but see you to night for a few hours I should feel more like one, but the time is fast coming when I shall be on my way to you, and what a happy day it will be when I get there Sarah I must close hoping you will not forget to kiss the baby for me I will bid you Good night

Monday July 3d

It has been a real nice day Sarah and I have been to work on the oil reader to put down below, we will start it away to morrow if it is pleasant, and I must close and go to bed for I have to get up early in the morning. Kiss my darling Babe for me and I will bid good night to you truly Sarah.

Tuesday July the 4th

This has been a nice pleasant day Sarah and at 5 Oclock this morning I got up and went to stoving away the oil at 7 Oclock they called me to breakfast and we had rice to eat, salt meat and sweet cake, after that I went to work again until 12 Oclock when I went to dinner and had salt meat and hard bread toasted, and sweet cake, in the after noon I had the ship washed and at supper we had fruit cake (or Dough) and sweet cake, and salt horse and hard Bread I shall not attend the fire works to night for I am to tired therefore I would say to you do not forget your duty to the baby, and I will say Sarah Dear Good night

Sunday July 9th

It has been a pleasant day Sarah and I have written two letters one to you and one to Ella and just now we heard the Mary Frazier who is bound home dated June July the 6th, when it ought to be the 7th, I guess I think it will be gone, I feel very sad to day I have got a bad pain in my stomach more than it is some days, I have been writing most all day and now I will say to you Kiss the baby for me and I will bid good night to my lovly Sarah,

Monday July 8th

It has been a pale to day Sarah but at day light we saw whales round the ship, the capt did not want me to go but I would go, I went and struck a whale and the second whale killed me I am now on my deck, and I am very sick and must go to bed, Kiss my baby for me and I will bid good night to my [illegible] Sarah,

Wednesday July the 17th

This has been a nice pleasant day daddy and I have not done much but mend my clothes last night I dreamt I saw Sister Smith and she told me my baby was born the 16th of January but I can not believe that I am in a great hurry and can not write much to night Miss Slater sends me and I will bid my dearest wife Good night

Tuesday Aug 27th

Come in pleasant Sarah but my letter is not inviting else but pleasant for to day we shoke a task Come the Sea Gull just in from hand but no letter from me But I saw some for Capt James M. Clark we have seen a great many ships home this summer and I have not seen one but what had letters for Clark. How Sarah this find your feelings. Once I did think you cared little for Me but this is one great proof to the contrary there has not a chance passed by but what I have written to me and I do I sat up all night twice after a hard days work to write I now and this is what I get in return. Now Sarah I will close by asking you one question Do you love this right and first believe Husband and Wife

Good Night

I saw Washburn Monday Aug the 20 eth. 1866

Sunday July the 28th 1867

Sweet Sarah, this has been a very pleasant day And Oh what a happy one it has been to have that Dear sister And seeing benefactor Has thrown in our path that beloved brother Who it Has not been my Lot to see for ten years. yes darling Sarh I have had the sweet company of my brother Charlie To day, and Oh what a happy meeting it was. I got a great deal Of news from him. the best of all was that you had got a little Girl: and he told me what Abbie wrote him you had named it Susan Rachel I was greatly disappointed in Hearing that name after my sisthing Row to name it after Mrs Mc Other. Abbie told Charlie that she had been up to see it And she said it was the cunningest and smartest baby she Ever saw, and Abby wrote you had a first rate time of it for you was sick only two weeks. I always thought you would get along finely for you are a perfect Farm of a woman. I heard by Charlie that the girls in the place was getting hot in the Box. Charlie thought he life of you and I hope your conduct will always be such that he always will. I must close by wishing You much pleasure and a good night rest. kiss little Susie for me, and I will bid you and Yours Good night

Thursday Sep 4th

This is a thick cloudy day and we have been to work covering oil getting it ready to go on shore last night I dreamt I saw you and little Susie I thought I had it In my arms for the first time, at midnight I woke up And went for deck, came down again and went to Sleep and dreamt it was dead. Oh dear, Sarah may god Spare that dreadfull blow to our babies. Sarah I am sick to night and cannot write any more. kiss Susie For me ofte and I will bid Good night to my Darling Wife